

# **Department of Economics Course Outline**

Term: Winter 2008

**Course:** Economics 611.20 **Section:** 04

[Topics in Experimental Economics]

**Time:** TR 14:30 – 15:45 **Place:** SS 423 (subject to change)

**Instructor:** Subhasish Dugar

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**Hours:** appointment

# **Textbook(s):**

There is no textbook for this class. Occasionally research articles will be distributed (via Blackboard) by the instructor. Class notes (drawing on from the following books and research articles) will in a major way substitute the text book requirement.

# **Recommended Book(s):**

*The Handbook of Experimental Economics*, J. Kagel and A. Roth (eds), Princeton University Press, 1995 (paperback)

Experimental Economics, Doug Davis and Charles Holt, Princeton University Press (D&H)

Behavioral Game Theory: Experiments in Strategic Interaction (The Roundtable Series in Behavioral Economics), Colin F. Camerer, Princeton University Press, 2003

### **Book(s) on Reserve:**

Papers in Experimental Economics, Smith, Vernon, Cambridge University Press, 1991

### **Course Outline:**

This course covers the basics of using laboratory as a tool to test economic models.

# **Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:**

Class Presentation -40% (at least two presentations to be made by each student; the details will be fixed as the class progresses)

Term Paper (due by the last day of the class) -60%

Schedule of milestones for term paper

Progress Report 1: the problem you have identified – due 12<sup>th</sup> February Progress Report 2: progress of the work on the problem – due 11<sup>th</sup> March

Progress Report 3: the final draft of the paper – due 11<sup>th</sup> April

The official grading system will be used.

A+	95 - 100	В	73 - 76	C-	60 - 62
A	85 - 94	B-	70 - 72	D+	56 - 59
A-	80 - 84	C+	67 - 69	D	50 - 55
$\mathbf{B}+$	77 – 79	C	63 - 66	F	0 - 49

If, for some reason, the distribution of grades determined using the aforementioned conversion chart appears to be abnormal the instructor reserves the right to change the grade conversion chart if the instructor, *at the instructor's discretion*, feels it is necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

A passing grade on any particular component of the course is not required for a student to pass the course as a whole.

#### **Notes:**

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor within *fifteen days* of the work being returned to the class.
- It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

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